

In the Claims

Please cancel Claims 1-25 and 36-39 without prejudice.

Please amend Claim 29 as follows.

29. (Amended) A computer-readable medium on which is stored a computer program for generating a plurality of schedulable assignments for a task, [comprising] said program performing the steps comprising [of]:

receiving a task description for said task, said task description identifying N resources assigned to said task where N is a positive integer, a required work-amount corresponding to each of said N resources, and one or more scheduling constraints for said task:

dividing said task into N assignments, each of said N assignments identifying one of said N resources;

equating a work-amount for each of said N assignments to the required work-amount corresponding to said resource identified by said assignment; and

associating each of said N assignments with said scheduling constraints for said task.

REMARKS

The present divisional application resulted from the restriction requirement issued in U.S. Application Serial No. 08/786,489, entitled "System and Method for Generating a Schedule Based on Resource Assignments," filed on January 21, 1997. The restriction required was issued in an Official Action Paper No. 5, mailed June 6, 2000. The Examiner required election to one of two identified groups: Group I, including Claims 1-25 and 36-39; or Group II, including Claims 26-35. Applicant elected without traverse to prosecute the claims in Group I in the prior application and reserves the option of seeking continued prosecution of the claims in Group II in a divisional application.

This divisional application is directed to the invention defined by Claims 26-35.